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ORGANIZATION OF COLLEGE CHANGED

After much deliberation Dr. Roberts has announced the changes in the administrative organization here for the year 1927 and 1928.

On January 1, 1928, Dr. C. F. Du Four will come here as Dean of the college and instructor in history. Dr. Du Four is well equipped to hold this responsible position, having been School Superintendent of the city of Alameda for eleven years. He received his A. B. from the University of Wisconsin, and his M. A. and Ph. D. from the University of California. He is now head of the department of history at the San Diego State Teachers College.

At the beginning of the next school year, Mr. Arthur Gist, principal of the Frick School in Oakland, will come to the College as director of practice teaching and principal of the training school. Mr. Gist is a graduate of the Iowa State Teachers College, and has received his M. A. degree from the University of Washington. He was, for five years, editor of the "Elementary Principals Year Book." He is president of the Elementary Principals Association of the National Educational Association, and the author of three noteworthy books on elementary teaching and supervision. Mr. Gist is an expert in the organization of elementary education.

There have been several changes in the present faculty. Dr. Stanley Rypins has been appointed Director of Academic Studies, and Dr. Valentine, Director of Professional Studies.

Miss Ward will continue in her capacity of Dean of Women and will also be made Director of Summer Session.

The office of Director of Fine and Applied Arts will be occupied by Miss McFadden. Mr. Boulware has been designated as Director of Afternoon and Evening Classes. Miss Levy has been appointed Director of Extra Curricular Activities. Miss Carter has been made Vice-Principal of the Frederic Burke School.

PROGRAM CHANGES ARE DISCUSSED

The Student Affairs Committee, in its meeting on alternate Wednesdays, has been considering certain proposals for the reorganization of the programing and financing of student affairs. In due time the results of this planning will be submitted, either to the Student Body as a whole, or to the Executive Board, for ratification.

Next year the committee will work with the newly elected officers to arrange a complete assembly program for the entire term.

This, according to Dr. Valentine, is only the beginning of a system which will place the administration of student activities here on a plane with the methods used in the best women's colleges.

Graduates Hold Farewell Dinner

Strains of sad music, coming through the walls of the Women's Building, told the story. The seniors were singing their goodbye. The occasion was a class dinner given at the Women's Club on Sutter street.

Louise Tray, president of the class, opened the program with an address, which was enthusiastically applauded. During the evening, the guests were entertained by: two piano numbers played by Hazel Watchers; three duets sung by Grace and Dorothy Short, accompanied by Muriel McDonald at the piano; and a violin solo by Miss McDonald, accompanied at the piano by Miss Leila Marcus from Berkeley. Shirley Millman presented an original musical game in a very teacher-like fashion. Her orders were "do not look at your neighbor's paper". Willa Elvey captured the prize for the game.

Angela Butterworth, secretary of the Senior class, suggested that February '25 revive the alumnae association, which has been inactive during the past ten years. A beautiful sheepskin scroll, made by Francis Freethy, was placed where all of the Seniors might sign it if they desired to join the alumnae association.

Dr. Roberts, in an address, expressed his approval of an active alumnae. It was suggested that an alumnae might become a powerful factor in aiding those in the teaching profession in many ways, besides being a source of renewed friendships.

Katherine Hall, toast-mistress for the evening, proved to be a very capable one.

Miss Holmes, senior faculty advisor, gave a very pleasing talk, sorry that Miss Levy could not be with them.

Excitement prevailed when a treacherous looking telegram was given to Louise Tray. It proved to be a message from Miss Levy wishing everyone success and happiness. The Seniors were very

A mysterious white envelope at each person's place contained a puzzle, which when complete, read, "I am going to graduate, maybe". Peggy Harrington won the prize for her quick work in solving the puzzle. Dr. Biddle also won a prize.

The table was beautifully decorated with autumn leaves, and dolls dressed in various shades of orange and brown. At each place, on the favor was pinned a verse appropriate for each guest. It is rumored that many in the class found out new things about each other from these verses. Dr. Biddle's doll was very appropriately dressed in a flashing green necktie.

Among the many guests were Dr. and Mrs. Roberts, Miss England, Dr. and Mrs. Biddle, Miss Holmes, Miss Crumpton, Miss Vance, Miss Dorothy Short and Miss Leila Marcus.

After Dr. Roberts gave his inspiring address, the Seniors sang their farewell songs. Everyone worked very hard to make the dinner successful. The decoration committee of Anita Koenig, Rose Nilsen, Angela Butterworth, Lucille De Valle and Ruth Michelson, deserves much praise for its artistic work.

DEBATING SOCIETY ORGANIZED HERE

INTERCOLLEGIATE TANGLES PLANNED

With approximately thirty charter members, the Debating Club, which was formed here on Wednesday evening, November 30, promises to be one of the most interesting organizations in the Student Body.

Miss Wilson and Mr. Mundt, sponsors of the club, were present at its first meeting. Election of officers took place almost immediately after the group had been called to order. The results were as follows: President, Mary McGloin; vice-president, Verna Thompson; secretary and treasurer, Beatrice Canny.

Having officially installed the officers in their new positions, the sponsors turned the meeting over to the president, Mary McGloin.

Since the purpose of this club includes social as well as educational activities, the members decided to give an informal "get acquainted" dinner. The date was set, tentatively, for Tuesday evening, January 10.

A committee was appointed under the chairmanship of Emma Nash to arrange for the engagement of a private dining room. Entertainment and decoration committees will probably be appointed at the next meeting of the club.

Plans are being made for the first debate, which will probably be given at the beginning of the spring semester before the Student Body.

It is the aim of the members to make use of their argumentative skill in intercollegiate debates. Debates may be arranged with Fresno, San Jose, Arcata, and others of the State Teachers College.

The Debating Club has met with the enthusiastic approbation of Dr. Roberts, who has said: "The new Debating Club is another avenue of fine expression for a certain group. As some enjoy music, some physical education, others dramatics, here is an opportunity for still another group to have their chance at college extra-curricular life. For that reason, I am for it."

Since there is no definite limit to the membership, it is hoped by the members of this club that all students who are interested in debating and who feel the need for intercollegiate activities, will join their ranks. Freshmen are particularly urged to join this club in order that sufficient material may be trained for several college teams.

ENGLISH "A" FAILURES DEFENDED

The blame for student failures in English "A" has been placed upon secondary school teachers, and finally upon secondary school principals, by W. E. Maxwell, instructor at the Santa Barbara State Teachers College.

According to an article in the "Eagle", the newspaper put out by the down-state college, it has been found that many of the freshmen coming into that college from high schools, have not written a single theme during the four high school years; others have been found to have written not a single composition other than examinations in their four school years; still others,

Large Audience Hears Dr. Newman

"The multitude is unwilling to think that something radical and new can benefit us," said Dr. Newman of Temple Emanu-El, when he recently addressed the student body on the subject, "What is a Liberal Education?" Rabbi Newman cited Brown College as a typical liberal institution, and Dr. Alexander Meikeljohn as the foremost liberal educator.

"We have specialization in America which has cramped out very life", continued the speaker. "Science, by means of machines, has increased the speed of the feet; science, with the telescope, has increased the vision of the eye; science, with the radio, has increased the throwing power of the voice. Have we the power to use these miracles of science to benefit rather than curse humanity?" Dr. Meikeljohn says that the body has outgrown the mind. Knowledge has been poured into the minds of students but instruction is advisable. At this liberal college the instructor studies with his class on a course which is, as entirely new to him, as it is to his students," said Dr. Newman, pointing out that the students of this "Experimental College" study the history, ethics, and philosophy of early Greece and come to some understanding of Greek culture; then, they study a modern civilization, preferably English or American, and draw together the past and the present. "The departmentalization of knowledge is done away with, and subjects are studied as units and linked up by discussions", said the Rabbi.

"The greatest problem of the age", he went on to say, "is that of mass education. The rush to college has been brought about by the development of science. The liberal college is seeking to solve this problem of mass education. Mass education has brought about the commonization, the vulgarization, and the socialization of knowledge, but in that educators think that we must sink our feet in one special department. H. G. Wells says that the true business man is more than just the business man and that a true student is more than a student in one field. Everyone should have at least three fields: History, Science, and Economics. We fail to understand what is transpiring in the world today. We can only understand if we take a liberal and humanitarian attitude towards economic facts. We judge on the basis of tradition and emotion, whereas we should judge on the basis of intelligence. We should take a liberal point of view and accept science for humanitarian good.

"Men who appeal to the mob have no place in American Civilization", concluded Dr. Newman. "If we take a liberal attitude towards art, music, and poetry, life will not be a mere grubbing; life will take on grandeur, intelligence, scope, and view."

Dr. Barney, well known instructor and medical advisor of the college has been elected President of the Women Physicians Club of San Francisco.

She is also second Vice-President of the San Francisco County Medical Society. Dr. Barney is the first woman to be honored with this office.

STUDENTS' TALENTS PLEASE ASSEMBLY

The students of the college were entertained with a "Hits and Bits" program at one of the recent Wednesday Assemblies.

"Pat" Schulze was master of ceremonies, Minnie Kelly, proposed the annual "Orphan's barrel" to be filled with toys, food, clothing, and anything else that students may wish to contribute.

The Kindergarten Club showed what it could do when it presented the "Kings Breakfast," a parody on the nursery tale by the same name.

Elsie Breed admirably portrayed the robust king who demands butter on his bread. Betty Kester appeared as the loving queen who seeks the aid of the dairy maid, better known as Emilian Perdy. Helen Hostetter and Kathrine Harth bravely supported the "bottled-milk-producing cow." Lucille Schoenfeld acted as interpreter; Dorothy Young supplied the music.

"Hats," a musical number, was next offered by the February '27 class. The young ladies taking part in this colorful offering were: Eleanor Kennedy, Janice Miller, Emeline Purdy, Eloise Harrison, Melba O'Dell, Virginia McKinnon, Margaret McDougall, and Marie Moad.

As always, the College Theatre scored a huge success when it presented a one act play entitled "Mother Pays". Mollie Levin appeared as the self-sacrificing mother who labors unceasingly for her children. Winnifred Coghlan as the tantalizing older sister and Frances Shire as the "peppy" big brother did much to enliven the play with their clever repartee. Mary Mercer as Betty, the young sister, did an excellent bit of work. Margaret Stowell portrayed the "corrected father," and Gladys Fouceral Tessie's boy friend.

The applause of the audience and the enthusiastic "after talk" were enough to convince even the more skeptical that "home talent" is good and highly appreciated.

DR. ROBERTS AND MISS WARD SPEAK

Dr. Roberts and Miss Ward were two of the principal speakers at the regular Stanislaus County Institute, held on November nineteenth, twentieth, and twenty-first, at Modesto.

Dr. Roberts made two speeches on Monday. In the morning he spoke on "The Unsolved Problems in Education," and in the afternoon he spoke on "Higher Teacher Standards in the Modern School."

On Tuesday Mr. Gist, soon to be added to our administrative staff, gave two talks on reading.

Miss Ward spoke on "The Development of Reasoning Ability in Arithmetic."

The superintendent of the county told our Dean that the graduates of this college were among his best teachers and that they were a credit to the institution.

Miss Ward met some of our "grads" and had some interesting chats with them.

GLEE HIGH JINX ENJOYED BY CROWD

Last Tuesday at 4 o'clock, members of the Glee Club, their friends, and members of the faculty gathered in the old gymnasium for the first High Jinx ever held at this college.

The merriment started with a grand march led by President California Pixley and Dr. Roberts, who paraded the assemblage until everyone was worn out.

Bags and boxes of lunch were opened immediately, and the committee in charge passed coffee and doughnuts.

Ursula Murphy opened the program with several ballads of old Erin. Evelyn Elster was the accompanist. Dr. Roberts, Miss Holtz, Mr. Butler, and Miss Kleinecke were enthusiastically applauded for their contributions to the program, when Anna Johansen, all blackened up, led them in whistling and dancing. Janette McCall favored the group with a solo dance. Mr. Ray, Mr. Mundt, Miss Carter, Miss Bock, Mr. Morse, and Miss Wilson presented "Romiet and Julio," much to the enjoyment of the audience. Miss Kleinecke portrayed her ability as a dramatic coach when she presented Pat Schultz and "Dot" Petsch in "Why Gentlemen Prefer Blondes".

OH HOW WE LOVE OUR ALMA MATER

An article which recently appeared in "Life" gave some interesting statistics concerning the personnel of an alumni meeting.

"Twenty-five percent of the visiting alumni are there because they are doing well in business and want to tell about it.

"Twenty percent who are not doing so well have new suits to wear and no better place to wear them.

"Fifteen percent want to get drunk with old classmates whom they wouldn't cross the street to see on the other 364 days of the year.

"Ten percent are ex-athletes visiting the scene of their former triumphs.

"Another ten percent have no sales resistance to the follow-up letters from the alumni secretary.

"Eight percent are insincere sentimentalists who (1) wish they were in college again—for about five minutes; (2) want to feel sorry for the graduating class.

"Six percent are still in the bond business and must keep up acquaintances.

"Three percent have nothing better to do and want to tell their stenographers they are going up to college for the day.

"Two percent are professional alumni waiting to bully the president.

"One percent have a real respect for their alma mater as a seat of learning."

CLASS OF AUGUST '26 ENJOYS DINNER PARTY

Monday evening, December 5, the class of August '26 held a dinner at the Maison-Paul Restaurant.

Between the courses table games were played. Each winner was awarded a prize. Vocal solos and monologues were plentiful and very good.

At the conclusion of the dinner, a play, arranged by Evelyn Lagomarsino, was presented.

Each advisory group also put on a short skit. The members all proclaimed the dinner a great success, and are looking forward to future social events.

SENIORS DANCE AT FAREWELL BALL

One hundred fifty couples danced in the Italian room of the St. Francis Hotel Saturday night, December 3, at the Senior farewell ball given the members of February 21 by the class of August 25.

The room, with its beautiful Italian fixtures and wood carvings, was decorated in the school colors, green and gold; even the punch was made to carry out the color scheme. The attractive programs were green with gold lettering.

A large percentage of the Senior class, and over half of the Junior class, were in attendance. The gorgeous dresses worn prompted many exclamations of "oh" and "ah".

The advisory group, Miss Anderson, Mrs. Spazio, and Mr. Mundt, were present, and also Dr. and Mrs. Roberts, Miss Ward, Miss Holmes, and Dr. and Mrs. Rypins attended.

A great deal of credit for the success of the affair is due Margaret Sheehan, chairman in charge; Evelyn Luce, president of August '25, and Margaret Wheelock, chairman of the hostess committee.

During the evening, Dorothy Maxson, February 25, announced her engagement and proudly displayed her diamond.

NYODA CLUB GIVES THANKSGIVING BOX

A box containing fruits, vegetables, a chicken, nuts, candy, and other trimmings which go with a holiday dinner, was given by the Nyoda Club to a needy family for Thanksgiving.

Each member of the club contributed something for the box. It was attractively arranged by the girls and delivered to the family.

The club was repaid for its donation by the hearty thanks of the mother of the household, who was struggling to make the ends of the family's budget meet.

The Executive Board of the Student Body has decided to have a Christmas Cheer barrel. The members of the college are asked to cooperate by bringing toys, clothing, and food for this worthy cause.

The Nyoda Club is sponsoring the Student Body enterprise, and will deliver the donations where they will do the most good.

LAST NAIL DRIVEN IN NEW BUILDING

The Science building is finished. Last week, a carpenter, standing in the chemistry laboratory with an up-raised hammer in his hand, said, "This is the last nail".

The work of unpacking all new equipment and getting it stored in its proper room is going speedily forward. The floors must then be cleaned and waxed, and the furniture moved into the new offices. All will then be in readiness for Dr. Roberts' words, "Let's go".

According to those who know, we will probably be in the new building at the opening of the spring term. The reception has been postponed until after the building is in running order.

LIBRARY OR GYM

Standing on the campus
Ballanced on the brim—
On the right the library
On the left the gym.

Physical or mental
Better, brain or limb
Perspiration? Concentration?
Library or gym.

Well, I'll have to choose one—
Chant me, choir, a hymn.
Don't be silly, library,
I'm going to the gym.

YOUNG HAVERFORD,
"What the Colleges Are Doing."

FACULTY WRITES LETTERS TO SANTA

That Santa Claus will require many helpers this year if he plans to grant all the wishes of our instructors, is the conclusion reached by a reporter of the "Vigilante," who was appointed to write their letters to him.

Miss Holmes says that it has been so long since she has written a letter to Saint Nicholas that she wonders just how to begin. "Is the Vigilante planning to give me something, or do the students just want to know my suppressed desires?" the psychologist wants to know.

Miss Ward says all she really wants is a room large enough for social activities of the students; a place where visiting celebrities may be given a cup of tea after their speeches; where groups of girls may congregate for relief measures after a day of classes; a cheerful, nicely furnished room, in harmony with the rest of our beautiful new school.

Mrs. Cooch says she asks only for a trip to the deep woods, where radios do not bellow, where streetcars do not grind and clang, where automobiles are unknown and unheard of.

Miss Hale entreats the gift of a clock, since she has only the radio to depend upon for time in her apartment. She adds that some thing in the way of new golf shoes and clubs would also please her very much.

Dr. Barney yearns for leisure. Miss Crumpton puts in a call for more light on light. Miss Talbert makes bold to ask for a "School girl complexion."

Mr. Boulware implores his students to give him some logical equations. One of Mr. Morse's entreaties is similar. He clamors for good students and an automobile.

Several of our instructors announce a desire for new cars. Mr. Mundt pleads his need for a new Buick. Miss Alcott demands a Chevrolet which will run without undue expense. Dr. Valentine bespeaks a new Ford and the idea for a best seller—a book, not another Ford. Dr. Rypins is not asking for anything in particular. He wants a surprise.

Miss Barbour would like a ranch, a radio set, a typewriter, and many books. Mrs. Spazio also petitions for a typewriter, a portable one.

Several faculty members have made pleas for financial assistance. Miss Vance thinks we should have a larger appropriation from the state for new buildings. Miss Mayer believes we should have some good modern pictures. Mr. Butler demands a large enough subscription list to put the "Vig Leaf" out every week, instead of every other week.

Mrs. McCauley makes one of the most unusual requests, soliciting a wagon-load of fertilizer for her front lawn.

Miss Moe is to receive her only wish. She is going to Yosemite for the snow. Miss Bock, also suggests that a trip would be a suitable present. She wishes to go to Europe next summer. The other things for which she is asking is a pretty office, many books, and the ability to make and to inspire students.

Miss Fleming will give freedom to talk in the library for a fireplace big enough for Santa to come down, and a nice, tall, cheerful, husband to sit beside her before it.

Miss Carter wants a telephone, Miss Casebolt wants a new tire, and Mrs. Dorris wants the power to give a great deal to the students.

Misses Reid, McFadden, and Burkholder unite in one plea their hopes; "Give us a million dollars apiece."

Miss Spelman agrees with many students in feeling that the only thing she desperately needs around the school is a fountain pen.

ART INSTRUCTOR'S NEW BOOKS PUBLISHED

The "Jonney and Janey Line Series" is the title of a group of books written by Miss Smith, art instructor, now being printed by the Rand McNally Publishing Company.

There are books in this series, covering the essentials in drawing from the first to the fifth grades. The lessons progress step by step in the same way that music lessons do. The books are written with an aim of giving a sure mechanical foundation in an inspirational way.

In the first part of the series, the objects to be drawn, which include bunnies and various other animals favored by children, are entered with a jingle. This arouses the pupil's interest, and he learns to draw the simple lines that make up each form. The story advances with each step in the lesson.

The second part of the series is devoted to color, and is titled "The Story of the Fairy Lanterns". First the "Primary Family" present themselves with a lively jingle in a dream. On waking, Jonney and Janey decide to paint their lanterns in these beautiful colors. When, finally, the "Hue Family" introduce themselves, the children will have learned, not only all of the colors, but also the exact group to which each belongs.

Miss Smith has illustrated many books for primary teaching. Some of the most familiar are: "The Brownie Phonics", "Talbert Phonics", and the "Alaska Primer". The students here are acquainted with "Blackboard Story Telling", which was written and illustrated by this instructor.

Miss Smith not only writes and illustrates books, but she also contributes articles to periodicals, and is now having a set of original holiday cards printed.

SCRIBES PLAN FOR NEXT YEAR

The Scribes' Club members, bubbling over with plans for the new year, are now interested in a trip to Carmel, Tahoe, or some other place where they can write, invite prominent poets and authors to speak, and hold weekly luncheons.

The first of the luncheons this semester was in honor of Gay Hill, and took the form of a birthday celebration. The group was so delighted with their "party" that they decided to make it a weekly occurrence. Each member may bring one guest, and the time has been set as eleven o'clock, Tuesdays.

A program for the next term, now being arranged, includes plans for obtaining visiting speakers, and for the exhibiting of the club members' work.

It is the hope of the members that units will be given credit for work during club time. Whether it can or not, however, the students do not feel that their time has been wasted; for they consider writing an excellent preparation for future work, and a source of immediate satisfaction.

The number of members is not at present limited. A drive for members may be carried on next semester.

MANY GRADUATING SENIORS TO RETURN

Since competition in the teaching profession is becoming very keen, many of the January graduates have decided to return next semester and register for upper division work, which will entitle them to Junior High School Certificates.

The extra training received will be a great asset to them when they are seeking teaching positions.

It is rumored that the postponement of the city examinations has caused many of the seniors to return, as substitution work or country schools will be the only other available positions.

Mrs. Cooch Praised For Exhibited Paintings

Mrs. Cooch, art instructor here, has received commendation in East Bay papers for her paintings, which were recently exhibited, with other works by members of the Berkeley branch of American Pen Women, at Hinks in Berkeley.

In the Oakland Tribune, Mrs. Cooch is classed with Cora Boone, Laura Adams Armer, and Goldie Powell Harding, as being one of the most outstanding artists represented in this exhibition.

Florence Wieben Lehre, assistant director of the Oakland Art Gallery, gave the following criticism: "Mrs. Cooch presents a very well painted William V. Cahill, an excellent Piazzi, a decorative Roy Boyton, and a cleverly organized Gerrity".

In the Berkeley Gazette, Hamilton A. Wolf of the University of California, writes: "Next to the entrance is a group of canvases by Marion Clark Cooch, and the most convincing and interesting canvas is her painting of green apples. Her figure compositions have qualities of color, but you feel that she is freer and more at home painting a mighty, fine still-life".

TALKS ON RURAL ED. TO BE GIVEN

Miss Ward, Mrs. Dorris, and Dr. Valentine, are working in conjunction with rural school supervisors of the Bay Region to the college speakers, who will talk on rural education. The purpose of these talks will be two-fold:

First, to acquaint the students, especially those graduating in January, with the problems of the young teacher in rural education. Second, to enumerate the many opportunities offered in this field of education.

This series of talks will probably be given on the following days: January 3, 5, 10, and 12, at 3 p. m.

The topics suggested by the committee for the speakers are: Rural School and the Teacher's Opportunity, The First Day of School, Good School Housekeeping, Professional Relationships of the Teachers, Definite Music Suggestions for Rural Schools, The Teacher's Future in the Rural School.

The graduates are requested to be present at all of these talks, as they will no doubt gain information which will prove very valuable to them.

If it can be arranged, tea and refreshments may be served after each lecture.

KINDERGARTEN CLUB HELPS NEEDY TOTS

The proceeds from the Kindergarten Club's Bridge-Tea, which was held in the Bog of Gold Tea Room on Saturday afternoon, December 3, has been used for the Harriet Street Kindergarten.

This school is a part of the Golden Gate Nursery Association, and is located in the famous Kate Douglas Wiggin neighborhood. The district is the "poorest of the poor". Numbers of the children have no underclothes, and mighty little food. Many are motherless. Miss Barbour feels, therefore, that the money has been used for a cause that is real and urgent.

At 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon, the Kindergarten Club people, laden with bundles, marched away to distribute not only toys but more practical things like clothing.

Miss Grace Walker, a June graduate, who was a member of Miss Christensen's class, is in charge of the nursery.

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EDITORIAL

The subject of the establishing of an Honor Service Society here should be among those matters considered by the Student Body representatives.

On all sides we hear people urging us to take part in extra-curriculum activities, to WORK for this or that phase of college life.

It is true that many students do get pleasure from this service; unless they do they should cease their activities. Nevertheless, any student working hard for the good of the college feels that she is entitled to some recognition for her efforts. Of course the ideal of service for service's sake is an elevated, admirable one, but very few people are thoroughly imbued with such an ideal, not EVEN prospective school teachers.

Membership in an Honor Service Society seems to be the ideal form of recognition. It has in it that element of people banding together with an aim of doing service, after each member has proved her ability to work for a cause conscientiously and sincerely.

This society could perform many regular duties connected with Student Body affairs and be a real benefit to the college as a whole.

Almost every college has some such organization as this functioning. In athletics, there are the block letter societies, and for Student Body service there are other societies. The success of these clubs in other schools indicates the advisability of establishing one here.

STUDENTS ADOPTING STANFORD GREETING

The Stanford custom of saying "Hello" to everyone is to be made the custom of the college, if the efforts of a group of students are successful. It has often been said in the past that our school has an unfriendly atmosphere, and this adoption of a cheery greeting may materially change it.

We are not the only college to try this salutation. The Oregon Aggies have done it for some time, and it is said to be a proposal before the students at Washington State. The students who have been most interested have been trying the experiment the last few days, which accounts for the seemingly increased number of acquaintances which many of us have noted.

MISS BARBOUR ATTENDS KINDERGARTEN CONVENTION

Over the Thanksgiving holidays Miss Barbour spent her vacation attending the annual meeting of the Kindergarten Primary Association held in Hollywood.

Miss Julia Hahn, president of this organization, is assisted by Miss Barbour, who is not only the vice-president of the State Association, but also president of the Bay Region Section.

A two-day program, including demonstrations of work through the first and fourth grades, was enjoyed by the seven hundred delegates present at the convention.

T. N. T.

(Editor's Note—We are always glad to print worthwhile T. N. T. articles. Bring up those college problems that bother you in YOUR paper. Let's have some reactions. Faculty opinions also welcomed.)

What Do You Think of This?

The other day I was amused in watching a student at work in the library. She was outlining in detail page after page from a book. At the end of the period she had accumulated a big stack of notes.

"For what class?" I asked, curiously.

"Oh," she replied, "it's for —'s course. We had five chapters to outline in this book. Gosh, after writing for three hours, I don't know what it's all about."

The next time you're in the library, notice the number of busy students mechanically reproducing chapters and even books for their instructors.

—AN OUTLINE HATER.

SMITH COLLEGE AND S. F. T. C. COMPARED

"The very definite aim that shapes the work done by students in this institution constitutes one of the most outstanding differences between girls here and girls at Smith," said Dr. Michell, when recently asked to compare the two colleges.

"A larger per cent of the girls here seems to know what they are working for. In comparison, many Eastern girls, who are interested primarily in the classics and purely academic courses given, arrive at their senior year with no well-defined idea of their vocation. They turn to teaching as a last resort—when no other more attractive position is available."

Here, also, Dr. Michell goes on to say, one finds an unusually large part of the classes formed of mature students. The result is a more cosmopolitan group with which to work. The girls, bright and attractive, are interested in fashions and clubs as well as high marks.

The fact that the two thousand girls at Smith (where Dr. Michell taught before coming here) all live in campus houses undoubtedly makes a difference in their leisure activities. With sixty-five girls living together in one house, there is little need for clubs to bring the girls together socially.

Boating, swimming, and dancing are part of the college work and, as there are several men's colleges in the vicinity, there is no lack of "fussing"—the local equivalent for dating. In the San Francisco State Teachers College well organized clubs play an important part in the social life of the students.

Eliminating their differences, college women of the East and West remain "just girls."

Milwaukee State Teachers College figures among the first of the mid-western colleges to take up soccer for girls.

All health education classes and the major sport classes may be seen almost any time of the day practising the beginning tactics of the game.

Interesting College For Women Opened

A new link in the Claremont College, namely Scripps College for Women, was opened for its first year on September 22.

The formal inauguration took place on October 14, the fortieth anniversary of the founding of Pomona College, the parent of Scripps. The exercises of the ceremony embraced two outstanding functions. In the morning the Eleanor Joy Toll Residence Hall was dedicated, and in the afternoon Dr. Ernest J. Jaquia was inaugurated as the first president.

Mrs. J. F. Sartori, one of the regents of the University of California, in her speech, "Women in Education", reviewed the struggle which women of the past generation have made for securing rights and advantages formerly only accorded to men—among them a demand for higher education. But this struggle has ended in women's victory, and, said Mrs. Sartori, "now that those rights and privileges have been gained, now that they suffer no longer from the lack of many social and legal disabilities, the attention of women is being given to how women as women, shall be advanced. This is the particular problem of a women's college such as Scripps".

Mrs. James B. Lorbeer, in quoting the woman in whose name the hall had been dedicated, said: "Education is not knowledge, but development of mind power, and of personality. It is to be acquired not by merely receiving, but by consciously directed effort. The degree of education attained is, in the end, not due to circumstances, but to desire and will. And, finally, the aim of education is not self-development for its own sake, but development in order to be of larger service".

Jacob C. Harper, president of the Board of Trustees of Scripps College, stated that the primary purpose for which the college is founded is:

"To preserve small college values,—individualized instruction, intimacy, and companionship between instructors and students, and between students themselves. Coupled herewith are to be larger educational equipment and facilities which are warranted only where a number of students are concentrated. Thus we have the idea of a group of small colleges associated under the enlarged facilities of Claremont Colleges".

Scripps is an adventure in another particular, that of fitting women for careers in which women are peculiarly qualified. This is to be promoted by pre-vocational training, and includes home making.

Faculty Instructor Building Own Home

A home on the edge of a lake, in nature's own garden is the vision that is being realized by Miss McFadden. This dream house is now being erected.

The kind of woodwork, color-scheme, and arrangement of rooms have all been carefully planned by the instructor herself. The interior of both her living and dining rooms is to be finished in beautiful oak.

The district in San Francisco in which the house is being built is comparatively young, but it is rapidly growing.

Miss McFadden's home will be amid real country surroundings. So far only five families dwell in the vicinity.

"When my grandparents came over from Scotland," said the faculty member, "they built their own farm house in New York. Then, my mother moved to California and built her home, and now, since I can't go farther West, I am building mine here."

WHO'S WHO

Mrs. Cooch, of the S. F. T. C. Art Department, was born at Cornwall-on-Hudson, a little river town five miles from West Point. While she was still a child, her family moved to Buffalo, New York, where she received her elementary and high school education.

Soon after her high school graduation, Mrs. Cooch began teaching. She taught for three years in the fifth grade of a Buffalo school. During this time she continued her drawing and joined the Art Student's League. It was a custom of the organization to take summer excursions which would provide the students with inspiration. Mrs. Cooch has oil paintings to remind her of one summer spent in Canada and another spent in picturesque Adirondacks.

After she left Buffalo and entered the Philadelphia School of Industrial Art, our instructor had her first lesson in commuting, which is now her favorite sport. For two years she commuted between her home near Wilmington, Delaware, and the Philadelphia School. Despite the time spent traveling, her work was very successful; her pencil drawings were exhibited with the work of prominent Delaware artists. Two of the pictures were sold. She also found time to give private drawing lessons on Saturdays.

A diploma from the Industrial Art School entitled her to a teacher's certificate, in those days before college training was required. She obtained a position in the West Pennsylvania State Normal School and was the head of the Art Staff there for three years. She later went to St. Paul, Minnesota.

Then she married. During her husband's lifetime, she lived on an historic estate near her first Delaware home. Mr. Cooch represented the sixth generation of the family which had held the estate since Revolutionary days. The proud old place boasted of having once been General Howe's headquarters. It had even witnessed a skirmish which preceded the Battle of Brandywine.

Surrounded by this environment Mrs. Cooch devoted her artistic interests to sketching the quaint colonial homes of Delaware. In addition she took thirty lessons in bookbinding.

Mrs. Cooch returned to the teaching profession about eight years ago when she enrolled in an Art Education course at Teachers' College of Columbia University. Mr. A. W. Dow, a remarkable teacher, scholar, and artist, was one of her professors.

Our college claimed Mrs. Cooch after she completed two and a half years at Columbia. However, she has continued to take advanced classes at the University of California summer sessions. Some of her work on lettering was published not long ago in a book prepared by herself and Miss Talbert.

"I consider myself most fortunate to have lived on the Atlantic coast, on the banks of the Mississippi and on the shores of the Pacific Ocean," says the art teacher. "It is interesting to know the people of these three sections of our country, but I am now an incurable westerner."

Many Students Work During Vacation

One hundred and twenty girls put in applications at the Dean's office for work in department stores during the Christmas holidays. Many have already secured positions.

Miss Ward's problem was made easier by the fact that we are having three weeks' Christmas vacation, instead of two weeks as in former years. The lengthening of the vacation enables the girls to meet the time requirements, which the stores demand.

Buy Books For Christmas

As the holidays draw near, everyone is scratching her head in order to decide what to give Jimmy, little sister, or brother, aunt or granddad, for Christmas.

Of course, one likes to give "lasting" gifts, and what could be more enduring than good books. Here is a list of some of the newest, most popular, and best written books of the season:

"Trader Horn" is the life and works of Alfred Aloisius Horn, an "old visitor" of Africa's "ivory coast". The works, and the life, with such of his philosophy that was the gift of old age, was written by himself at seventy-three years of age. The experiences were taken down and here edited by Ethelreda Lewis, in the exact dialect in which the adventurer gave them to her.

"Call of the House" is by Ruth Carafort Mitchell, a California writer, who in real life is Mrs. Sanborn Young. It is the story of the career of California's first woman state senator, and of her struggle to improve politics. Humor, shrewdness, and sympathy, are involved in the writing of this book.

"The Grandmother," by Glenway Wescott, is called the outstanding book of the year.

"Birds of the Pacific States", by Ralph Hoffman; "We", by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, and "The Man Nobody Knows", by Bruce Barton, are also good choices.

The above list consists of non-fiction books; the list below consists of fiction books:

"Death Comes for the Archbishop", by Willa Cather; "Meanwhile", by H. G. Wells; "A Good Woman", by Louis Bromfield; and "Marching On", by James Boyd. This is a fine historical novel of the Civil War.

"Tristan", a long, narrative poem by Edward Arlington Robinson, has been widely read. It tells the old, much-loved story of Tristan with beauty and grace.

Some books for children are:

"I Know a Secret", by Christopher Morley. This is about a group of animals: A dog, a cat, and kittens; that come to America to escape being eaten. The members of the Morley family appear around the edges of the tale, but the center of the stage is held by the animals, and their doings and sayings.

"The Earth We Live On", by Elizabeth Duval, is another. This is a picture geography made by a mother to meet her own child's growing curiosity, says the author.

"Now We Are Six", by A. A. Milne, also the author of "When We Were Very Young", and "Winnie the Pooh", will please any child. The verses are about a boy, named Christopher Robin, and his friends. These books have been so popular that someone, presumably an American, has attempted to trade on their popularity by adopting "Robin Christopher" as a pen-name in writing a book of verses called "Dimple Diggers".

NOTICE

Hereafter the mark "W" will be used to mean withdrawal from a course before the seventh week of the semester. The mark "W" will also be used to mean withdrawal from the course after the sixth week of the semester, provided that the student's work was of passing grade at the time of the withdrawal. Otherwise the mark recorded must be "F" (failure) unless the Scholarship Committee recommends different.

Sports

AUGUST '25 WINS AT NIGHT RALLY

August '25, champions of inter-class basket ball, defeated August '26 in the final battle of the season before a crowd of several hundred thrilled, enthusiastic spectators, which gathered at the W. A. A. rally Friday evening, December 2nd.

How those girls did play! The ball was closely contested from start to finish. Everyone played as if her life depended upon that game. Again and again, Miss Hale's whistle blow for a "tie ball", and each time the rooters waited breathlessly to see who would get possession.

August '26 led by a score of 5 to 2 for the first few minutes of the game—but when the quarter ended August '25 had tied the score 7 to 7.

The lightning pass work of "Long Armed Byrne" to "Rabbit Pierce" made the spectators "sit up and take notice". Bunnie received Ethel's pass every time, and once "Sure Shot Pierce" had the ball, August '25 was almost certain to score.

McGloin and Whitley, forwards of August '26, received wonderful help from their stellar centers, Mulvihill and Stegeman. August '26 made a supreme effort to raise their 17 points to August '25's 20 points in the last half minute of play—but the score stood 20 to 17.

Flushed and victorious as the final whistle proclaimed the victory of August '25, the champions lined up to receive the coveted gold basket balls which Dr. Roberts presented. The president assured the girls that they had earned the tiny, shining trophies; he said that the contest had afforded him as exciting a time as a football game at the University of Washington.

The girls of August '25 unlimited team, who received gold basket balls were: Peg Hilgariff, Peg Harrington, Angele Slevin, Lorraine Ellis, Vaughn Pierce, Orpha Corrigan, Ethel Byrne, Frances Misch, and Gertrude Fleming.

The champion lightweights of August '26 began the rally by playing an exhibition game with the "school lightweights". The champions defeated the "select team" by a score of 26 to 19.

Basket ball was not the only feature of the rally program.

Miss Farrell's Physical Education I Class presented a clever tumbling stunt. The pretty blue and white gym suits which the girls in this stunt wore made this number doubly attractive.

Louise Tray and Pat Schultz appeared in "unique costumes" and presented an impromptu dance which everyone enjoyed. Miss Ward made several W. A. A. girls proud and happy by presenting them with blocks and numerals. Kay Kenny, Orpha Corrigan, and Christine Minetta received plus-C blocks. Among the girls to receive numerals were: Ethel Anderson, Lillian Beauchiv, Margaret Harrington, Mary McGloin, Frances Misch, Josephine Mulvihill, Alice Ritter, Louise Tray, and Cleone Willet.

The spectators applauded enthusiastically when Ethel Byrne, Vaughn Pierce and Bertha Hill received the "award of awards"—the winged plus-C pin. These three girls have taken an active part in sports since their entrance to this college and have earned this high favor.

NOTICE

Have you an annual that you think is particularly good? Have you suggestions for our annual? If you have you may leave it in Miss Wilson's office and The Editorial Staff will be glad to consider it.

THE THEATRE

Following "The Jest," now playing at the Community Theatre, the Players Guild will present "Young Woodley," by John Van Druten, on December 8. This is the story of a young Englishman, played by Douglas Fairbanks Junior, and his first great love. The play is written around the public schools of England. The Players Guild has recently been established in the Community Theatre at Sutter and Mason Streets.

"Blossom Time," the Romberg operetta, comes to the Curran Theatre December fourth for its fourth and last visit to San Francisco. Though the operetta is at least fourteen years old, it is ever new and popular in many countries. In England, where it is known as "Lilac Time," it has had three revivals. The story is written around Franz Schubert, well-known composer.

The Chauve-Souris, coming for the first and only time to San Francisco, will be presented by F. Ray Comstock and Morris Gest at the Curran Theatre on Monday, December 26. This production is coming direct from New York and will include the original "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers."

The final concert of the Florentine Choir will be given in the Civic Auditorium on Sunday, December 11. The choir will present a request program of favorite sacred and secular selections at this time.

"The Messiah," Handel's oratorio, will be presented in the Civic Auditorium on Thursday evening December 8. Alfred Hertz will be the director and the production will include the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra with a chorus of 400 voices as well as four famous soloists. Seats are on sale at Sherman, Clay & Company.

FREDERICK BURKE PUPILS START REAL ORCHESTRA

"May we have an orchestra", was the question put before Mrs. McCauley, music instructor, and Miss Carter, principal of the training school, by two of the high grammar pupils, Madeline Lance and Morris Simon, both excellent violinists.

The answer was in their favor, providing they would shoulder the responsibility, get a faculty sponsor, submit to tryouts, and faithfully attend rehearsals.

After a canvass for musicians in the Frederick Burke School had been successfully accomplished, Mrs. McCauley and Miss Carter were invited to a meeting held by these little people. Both attended and were surprised to find some twenty pupils all eager and enthusiastic over the possibilities of having a class in orchestration. During the meeting, Monday, 2 P. M., was set for regular rehearsals.

Mrs. McCauley accepted the invitation extended to her to be the faculty sponsor. Morris Simon, an exceptionally talented boy, offered his services as leader.

The director and his stringed and percussion section will present Beethoven's Minuet at the graduation exercises to be held Friday afternoon, December 9, 1927, in the Frederick Burke Children's Theatre.

That Cable Cars should be removed was resolved by the training school Civics Club last Thursday, when room 105 debated on that subject. The speakers on the winning negative side were: Yvonne Doyles, Sherbert Goldstein, and Mardis Petri. Those on the affirmative were: Harriet Kenny, Cecelia Kenny, and Winifred Creighton.

Results of Midterms Generally Satisfactory

The results of the mid-term examination were on the whole gratifying to all concerned, although the percent of passing and failing marks has not been calculated because the records on file are not complete for every student. The reports, so far, are indicative of earnest effort on the part of each member of the college and the faculty. They are a fitting preliminary to the final grades, which when checked, will give an accurate estimate of the entire scholarship, according to members of the faculty. It is hoped that the record at the end of this semester will be better than the one of last term, and that the 8.8 percent of marks which were below a "C", will be diminished.

DEAN STRIKES CRUELEST BLOW OF ALL

With the Christmas holidays and the end of the term nearly here the thoughts of many students are turned toward finals. A message written by Dean Effinger of Michigan, in the November issue of "What the Colleges Are Doing" might prove enlightening to some of us and inspirational to others.

"Experience has shown most of us that more students fail because they do not work, than for any other single reason. Investigation has also shown that the average student who satisfies minimum requirements has time to waste," writes the Dean in a plea to professors to increase the amount of work expected from students.

He goes on to say that the existing practice of using the class average as a passing grade is but one sign of the lowering of college standards.

CLUB HOLDS INFORMAL DANCE AT HOUSE

The Phi Lambda Chi house bubbled over with merriment last Wednesday evening, when the club gave an informal party after its regular business meeting at the club house. Gayety prevailed all over the place; sleep was not only impossible, but completely forgotten.

Voices that usually sing "Good morning to you" were heard crooning popular tunes. Many participated in the games played.

Later in the evening tea and cake were served; the remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing, while the new members wandered around the house getting acquainted.

Everyone present agreed that the evening was a great success.

T. C. ORCHESTRA HOLDING REHEARSALS

Several students, including members of the Freshman class, are devoting much time to orchestra practice under the direction of Mrs. McCauley of the Music Department. The group is now working to present string quartet selections. Several rehearsals have been held at their regular Thursday practice period.

The artists are centering their study now on Tchaikowsky's well-known composition, "Andante Cantabile", and some lovely minuets. After the holiday season the orchestra will be one of the college features; it will be able to present selections to the public.

Mrs. McCauley will be glad to welcome anyone interested in the string quartet practice who has orchestral experience or ability.

Father (to errant son)—"Johnny, I'm afraid I will not see you in Heaven".

Son—"Why, what have you been doing now, pop?"

HERE AND THERE

On November 1, the big presses in the Government Bureau of Engraving and Printing began turning out dollar bills that look more like the famous Confederate "sticking plaster" of the '60's than the greenbacks to which Americans for many generations have been accustomed.

The Treasury Department has decided on a radical reduction of the size of the silver certificates from 7 7/10 by 3 1/8 inches to 6 1/8 by 2 5/8 inches. The plant will turn out 2,000,000 of the smaller bills daily, and they will be placed in circulation as fast as the old bills can be redeemed. The first ones will reach the public in January.

This change was dictated by reasons of economy. There will be a marked saving of paper and press work. Twelve bills can be printed to one sheet, as against eight of the larger kind. Then, too, the smaller bills will not wear out so fast as they will require less folding and be subject to less rubbing and tearing in handling.

At the Frederick Burke P. T. A. meeting held yesterday afternoon in room 15, Miss D. M. Ellis, children's librarian, gave an interesting talk on "A Day in the Children's Library." Among other things, she told the means used to stimulate the interest of children who do not care for reading; the value of the library to the children; and measures for care of the books. Miss Ellis used many interesting incidents to illustrate her talk.

After the meeting, tea was served to a large representation of one hundred and eighty five members belonging to the P. T. A.

Home Economics students and their guests now know what cuts of meat to order for flavor, price, and method of cooking. Miss Spelmann was able to offer an object lesson on the choice of meats to her classes through the courtesy of the Government Inspection Service. Mr. Gaffney, their representative, demonstrated, upon a whole beef, the cuts of meat in common use, their Western and Eastern names, their prices, and the manner of best cooking them. He did the same with a lamb.

Miss Alice Hackett, a student-teacher of Miss Crumpton's Eastbay Group, who is teaching in the Prescott Annex School in Berkeley, has been doing very interesting work with the children of her class. At present she is teaching English to two little Mexican children who have been in this country just a few weeks.

A little negro boy, a pupil of one of the student-teachers, upon being asked to tell a story, proceeded to tell the well-known tale of "Little Red Riding Hood."

As he continued with his story his excitement grew, until finally he was very much overcome.

When he came to the part where the old wolf says to Little Red Riding Hood, "Where are you going, Little Red Riding Hood?" his enthusiasm swelled to the highest pinnacle.

His interest drowned all possible rules and regulations of proper English. He cried, "Where are ye all going at?"

And every week, for many a day, A weary group has met to pay its due respect to government. On tests and problems, time is spent, We list in grief to long harangue Which oft does cause us many a pang. But rain or shine, we gladly go Because we love our teacher so.

LOUD LAUGHTER

Viv—(In restaurant) "Do you serve lobsters?"
Waiter—"Yes, step right in".

First cannibal—"The chief has hay fever".

Second cannibal—"What brought it on?"

First cannibal—"He ate a grass widow".

Mildred—"I overheard that dear young man telling you I danced like a zephyr".

Ruth—"Zephyr? He said heifer."

Mother—"The baby swallowed one of Theodora's letters".

Father—"Don't worry. Mush is good for children".

Alice—"I think I have a cold or something in my head".

Mr. Mundt—"Probably a cold".

Whether Newton or Einstein is right, the result is the same when one drops a dish!

A doctor returning from a hunting trip announced to his wife: "Well, my dear, I didn't kill a thing".

Wife—"That's what you get for going off and neglecting your business".

The Vigilante's a fine invention. The school gets all the fame. The printer gets the money. And the editors get the blame.

Blackhand letter: "Send us \$1000 or we will kidnap your wife".

Reply: Haven't \$100, but am greatly interested in your proposition".

Father—"That young man of yours should be in a museum for curiosities".

Daughter—"Why, father! What do you mean?"

Father—"I noticed last night that he had two heads upon his shoulders".

Lennie (on phone)—"Jack, will you go out?"

Ranken—"No, I can't; I'm studying for an engineer".

Lennie—"Why, don't you let him study for himself, silly boy?"

Eliza—"See hey, Ferdinand, ah wants dis chil' to hab part ob my name".

Ferdinand—"So do I, Liza; le's call him Ferdilza".

"I have a job at the confectioner's".

"What do you do?"

"Milk chocolates".

Peggy: Won't your dad be all unstrung when he hears about your exam's?

Ina: No, I wired him last night.

She was just a dry goods dealer's daughter—but she had her notions.

Jane—"Who is that finished looking player over there?"

Janet—"Oh, that's the end".

Though we have not heard of Dr. Barney giving a vaccination party lately, the administration is, nevertheless, keeping a close record of all students' susceptibility to small-pox. Of the 772 regular students here all but 120 are in some way protected from the disease.

Successful vaccinations are the surest and most general safeguard, but there are forty-six girls attending college whose vaccinations just will not "take". Twenty-one girls have had small-pox and are now strong advocates for the policy of "one scar on the arm rather than many on the face".